

REMARKS

The specification has been amended in accordance with 37 CFR §1.78 to make reference to the International Application from which this application originates and to incorporate by reference the Japanese priority application. No new matter has been added.

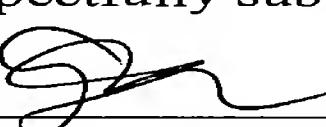
Claim 1 is pending in the application as amended under Article 34 on December 22, 2005. The claim has also been amended to correct informalities. Claims 3-6 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependent claims. The amendment is made to reduce filing fees and not for any other reason related to patentability of such claims. Claim 4 has also been amended to correct typographical error. Claims 7-9 have been added to restore the subject matters that were removed as a result of the amendment, and to further claim what the applicants regard as the invention. New claims are fully supported by the original claims and the specification. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

The abstract has been amended to correct informalities. No new matter has been added.

The claim fee was calculated based on the amended claims above. Please examine the application in view of the amendments set forth above.

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